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**Stephen D. Gerling**  
Chief Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1942  
Education: Niagara 1964 BA; St John's U (NY) 1967 JD  
Began Service: October 5, 1985  
Term Expires: October 3, 2013

**Academic:** Instructor (part-time), Mohawk Valley Community College (1970-1975); Instructor (part-time), Utica College (1980-1985)

**Government:** Assistant County Attorney, Office of the County Attorney, County of Oneida, New York (1973-1980); Special Counsel, Whitestown, New York (1980-1985); Assistant Counsel, New York State Legislature

**Legal Practice:** Kehoe, Murnane & Garramone (1969-1973); Schwartz, Blaney & Gerling (1973-1976); Sole practitioner (1976-1985)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1967-1969)

**Current Memberships:** Capital Region Bankruptcy Bar Association; Central New York Bankruptcy Bar Association; National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Sharon Persbacker** ..... (315) 793-8111  
Education: Albany Law 1992 JD

Judicial Assistant **Kathleen Barrett** ..... (315) 793-8111

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**Robert E. Littlefield, Jr.**  
Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1951  
Education: Denver 1973 BA; Albany Law 1976 JD  
Began Service: May 1, 1995  
Term Expires: April 30, 2009

**Government:** Chapter 12 and Chapter 13 Standing Trustee

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Littlefield & Littlefield (1978-1988)

**Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge Robert E. Littlefield, Jr. continued**

**Current Memberships:** Albany County Bar Association; The New York State Bar Association

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**Margaret Cangilos-Ruiz**  
Bankruptcy Judge

Education: Cornell 1974 AB; Albany Law 1979 JD  
Began Service: February 2007  
Term Expires: February 2021

**United States District Court for the Southern District of New York**

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**Number of Judgeships:** 28

**Areas Covered:** Counties of Bronx, Dutchess, New York, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Sullivan and Westchester

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**Kimba M. Wood**  
Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1944  
Education: Connecticut Col 1965 BA; London School Econ (UK) 1966 MSc; Harvard 1969 JD  
Began Service: July 28, 1988  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Government:** Attorney, Office of Legal Services, Office of Economic Opportunity (1970-1971)

**Legal Practice:** Attorney, Steptoe & Johnson LLP (1969-1970); Attorney, LeBoeuf, Lamb, Leiby & MacRae (1971-1988)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The American Law Institute; The Association of the Bar of the City of New York; Federal Bar Council; The New York State Bar Association

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**Loretta A. Preska**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1949  
Education: Col St Rose 1970 BA; Fordham 1973 JD; NYU 1978 LLM  
Began Service: September 18, 1992  
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

**Government:** Legislative Aide, State Senator John T. Buckley (NY), New York Senate (1968-1970)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP (1973-1982); Partner, Hertzog, Calamari & Gleason (1982-1992)

**Current Memberships:** Federal Bar Council; New York County Lawyers' Association; The New York State Bar Association

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Term Expires: October 2008

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**Deborah A. Batts**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1947  
Education: Radcliffe 1969 AB; Harvard 1972 JD  
Began Service: June 23, 1994  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

**Academic:** Associate Professor of Law, Fordham University (1984-1994)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Lawrence W. Pierce, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (1972-1973)

**Government:** Assistant United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, Criminal Division, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1979-1984); Special Associate Counsel, Department of Investigation, City of New York, New York (1990-1991); Commissioner, Law Revision Commission, State of New York (1990-1994)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP (1973-1979)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The Association of the Bar of the City of New York; Lesbian and Gay Law Association of Greater New York; Metropolitan Black Bar Association

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**Shira A. Scheindlin**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1946  
Education: Michigan 1967 BA; Columbia 1969 MA; Cornell 1975 JD  
Began Service: November 14, 1994  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton



**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Charles L. Brieant, Jr., United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (1976-1977)

**Government:** Assistant United States Attorney, Eastern District of New York, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1977-1981); General Counsel, Department of Investigation, City of New York, New York (1981-1982)

**Judicial:** Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York (1982-1986)

**Legal Practice:** Stroock, Stroock & Lavan (1975-1976); Budd Lerner Gross Rosenbaum Greenberg & Sade (1986-1990); Herzfeld & Rubin, PC (1990-1994)

**Current Memberships:** The Association of the Bar of the City of New York; Federal Bar Council; Judicial Conference of the United States; New York County Lawyers' Association; The New York State Bar Association

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**Lewis A. Kaplan**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1944  
Education: Rochester 1966 AB; Harvard 1969 JD  
Began Service: 1994  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Edward McEntee, United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit (1969-1970)

**Legal Practice:** Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison (1970-1994)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American College of Trial Lawyers; The American Law Institute; The Association of the Bar of the City of New York; Federal Bar Council; Federal Judges Association; The New York State Bar Association

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